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What is claimed is:

1. A golf club comprising
a shaft having a longitudinal axis,
a head extending laterally from one end of said shaft and having a flat striking face thereon, and
an alignment means extending along a surface of said shaft and said head in a plane perpendicular to said longitudinal axis of said shaft and parallel to said striking face of said head.

2. A golf club as set forth in claim 1 wherein said means is a continuous line.

3. A golf club as set forth in claim 1 wherein said means is a discontinuous line.

4. A golf club as set forth in claim 1 wherein said means is a line inscribed in said shaft and said head.

5. A putter comprising
a shaft having a longitudinal axis;
a head secured to one end of said shaft, said head including a metal body having a plurality of openings passing therethrough to decrease the mass of said body and a plastic coating covering said body and filling said openings to define a flat striking face on one side of said head; and

a pair of weighted plugs, each said plug being disposed in a respective opening in said head near a heel and toe of said head to increase the weight of said heel and toe.

a plastic coating covering said body and filling said openings to define a flat striking face on one side of said head.

12¹⁶. A head for a putter as set forth in claim ¹¹15 which further comprises a flange extending from a bottom of said body with said plastic coating covering said flange.

13¹⁷. A head for a putter as set forth in claim ¹²16 wherein said flange is integral with said body.

14¹⁸. A head for a putter as set forth in claim ¹²16 wherein said body has a rocker sole and said flange has a curvilinear shape corresponding to said rocker sole.

15¹⁹. A head for a putter as set forth in claim ¹⁴18 wherein said flange is curved in a plane transverse to said body.

16²⁰. A head for a putter as set forth in claim ¹²16 which further comprises a first alignment line extending across said head in a plane parallel to said striking face, a second line extending across said head perpendicularly of said first line and a third line extending across said flange in a plane perpendicular to said first line and co-planar with said second line.

17²¹. A head for a putter as set forth in claim ¹¹15 wherein said coating is made of urethane.

18²². A head for a putter as set forth in claim ¹¹15 wherein said coating is transparent.

19²³. A head for a putter as set forth in claim ¹¹15 wherein said coating has a thickness of 1/64 inch.

20²⁴. A head for a putter as set forth in claim ¹¹15 wherein said head has a rocker sole.

²¹₂₅ A head for a putter as set forth in claim ¹¹₁₅ wherein each said plug is made of tungsten.

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